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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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Serial No.: US National Phase of

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For: DEVICE FOR INJECTING A TREATMENT GAS INTO A MOLTEN METAL

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Before calculation of the filing fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks are found on page 4 of this paper.

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